

REMARKS

Claims 51, 52, 53 and 60 have been amended in this action. Claim 59 has been canceled. No new matter or lack of written description should arise from these amendments.

In the office action, the examiner noted that Claims 1-8, 10-38, 40-41, 45-48 and 59-60 were allowed. Applicants kindly thank examiner for this indication of allowability. In the present rejection, the examiner indicated that Claim 50 was rejected on the Office Action Summary form and did not include Claim 50 in the "Allowable Subject Matter" paragraph on page 4 of the office action. However, based on the examiner's prepared rejections of Claims 51-58 (with no discussion drawn to claim 50), the applicants believe that the examiner intended to allow claim 50 as well. Claim 50 was previously amended to depend from claim 41, which the examiner has indicated is allowable. Thus applicants believe that claim 50 is allowable as well. Applicants respectfully request an indication of allowability of claim 50.

Claim Objections

The examiner has objected to Claims 59 and 60 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants have amended Claims 51, 52, 53 and 60 and canceled claim 59 based on the examiner's indication of allowability. Applicant believes that these amendments overcome the examiner's objections with regard to Claims 59 & 60 and request reconsideration.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102

The examiner has rejected Claims 51, 52, and 55-58 under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by Hossain. Applicants have amended claims 51, 52, 53 and 60 have been amended in this action. Claim 59 has been canceled. Applicants believe those amendments are responsive with regard to claims 51, 52, and 55-58 and respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of those claims.

Rejection under 35 USC 103

Claims 53 and 54 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hossain in view of Brandl. Applicant believes that the amendments made overcome this rejection with respect to claims 53 and 54 and respectfully request reconsideration.

In conclusion. Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner's Office Action has been fully responded to and that the claims are in condition for allowance. In the furtherance of compact prosecution, if a personal or telephone interview would help expedite matters, the Examiner is requested to contact Amy Rensing at 202-404-1558. Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

No fee is believed due for this action. However, kindly charge any additional fees due, or credit overpayment of fees. to Deposit Account No. 50-0281.

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